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Photo by Sue Tiffin

Four-year-old Owen Miller delights in catching a water balloon from his sister Sadie at the annual Canning Lake Fun Day on Aug. 1. See page 37 for story.

Barry Devolin trading parliament for Korea

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

From an early age, local MP Barry Devolin has been passionate about politics.

"I've always been interested in it," said Devolin in an interview with The Highlander. "When I was in elementary and high school, I was always on the students' council."

Back then, one of his claims to fame was being the student council president for two

years at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

"I think I'm the only person that actually did it for two years," he said.

For the past 11 years, Devolin has worn the hat of MP for the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding. In all four federal elections he has handily defeated his opponents, receiving anywhere between 44-60 per cent of all votes.

However, after serving the vast geographic region for four terms, the Conservative Party

representative has decided to retire from politics and start the next chapter of his life. He first announced his decision not to seek re-election in November of 2013.

"I still like my job, but I don't have the enthusiasm I had 10 years ago," he said.

One of the big challenges of the job is trying to cover such a large riding. Since it's humanly impossible to make it to all of the events and meetings, Devolin has no choice but to pick and choose.

"When an MP from the city asks how big my riding is, I say it's 13 Santa Claus parades and 16 legions big," he laughed.

Devolin was born in Peterborough but came to Haliburton at the age of five when his father, Doug Devolin, took a job as principal of the old Victoria Street School. Doug also eventually became the first principal of J.D. Hodgson Elementary School.

At the age of 16, he became a Rotary Exchange student and moved to the

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Travellers change plans due to diving loonie

All-inclusive trips best way to travel with the low dollar: agent

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Canadian dollar has been sinking like the Titanic.

As of Aug. 4, the loonie dropped to 76 cents U.S. and analysts predict that it will go even lower than that.

Is that having an impact on the choices that local and seasonal residents are making when it comes to travel and spending their money?

"People have changed their mind as to where they're going," said Linda

Coneybeare, branch manager of TravelPlus in Haliburton.

Travellers who would otherwise consider going to the U.S. are switching plans to pack their bags for an all-inclusive island resort instead.

"The cost of the U.S. dollar really isn't impacting one who is choosing to do an all-inclusive into the Caribbean or Mexico," said Coneybeare, adding that the only issue with travelling to these destinations is that the American dollar is used as the local currency.

One of the positives is that these trips are paid for in Canadian dollars, based on

prices that were set months ago.

Meanwhile in Cuba, the currency is Cuban pesos, which converts to Canadian dollars.

"They won't accept U.S. dollars," she said.

Other alternatives being offered by the local travel agency include river cruises in Europe. Reservations are currently being accepted for next year in Canadian dollars at 2015 prices.

"That's a way to save with the U.S. dollar," she said. "Everything is all-inclusive and you pay in Euros for local currency, which isn't as bad."

Carol Patrick, branch manager at TD Canada Trust in Minden, said there have been "some rumblings" about the cost of the U.S. dollar; however, customers haven't mentioned anything about not leaving the country, especially those who spend an extended period of time down south.

"The only thing we have suggested to customers is that they don't buy the U.S. all at one time, that they buy a little bit at a time to make it a little bit less painful when it comes to the exchange," she said.

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MP Devolin ready for change

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Netherlands for a year. It was an eye-opening experience for the future politician.

"Whenever I go to a Rotary meeting I thank them, because I think that really opened up my eyes to the world," he said.

When Devolin returned to Canada, he pursued a degree in political science at Carlton University. Then he obtained a master's degree at Stony Brook University in New York.

During the summers, he continued to spend time in Haliburton.

"I've been kind of coming in and out of Haliburton ever since," he said.

He initially wanted to become a diplomat, but instead embarked on a career in federal politics. When he first set his sights on the Conservative nomination in 2004, there were five other candidates in the field including his current executive assistant Jamie Schmale.

Of those seeking the nomination, he wasn't the favourite.

Asked what gave him the edge over the other candidates, Devolin said he had "a clear connection to the riding."

In his past, he was involved with both the now defunct Reform Party of Canada and the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada. In 1993, he ran as the Reform Party's candidate but lost to John O'Reilly of the Liberals. After the loss, he worked for the Reform Party under Preston Manning as their director of research in Ottawa and then became chief of staff for Chris Hodgson at Queen's Park. He was a special advisor to Mike Harris during his term as the premier of Ontario.

When Devolin was victorious in 2004, the Progressive Conservatives were the opposition party. Since then, he's seen a Liberal minority government, Conservative minority and most recently a Conservative majority.

"I kind of feel like I've been to the top of the mountain, so to speak."

In looking back at his career, there are a few highlights that stand out in his mind. One of those is being a member of the Conservative caucus.

"That's where you can talk, that's where you can complain, that's where you can make suggestions if you disagree with something you've heard," he said, pointing out he has been a member of regional groups in both eastern and northern Ontario.

"It allows you to convey what you're hearing in your riding."

And for the past five years, one of the things his colleagues have been hearing a lot about is the Trent-Severn Waterway. He and four other MPs spent a considerable amount of time educating others about the system and its value to central Ontario.

"It's taken many of us five years, working behind the scenes, to convince

people how important it is and what it means."

He believes those efforts have paid off in the form of a recent \$285 million infrastructure investment from the federal government.

When first elected, Devolin said he vowed to provide constituents good service. He says he delivered on that promise by launching touring passport clinics in January of 2005.

In the beginning, he didn't know if it was something that would take off or not.

"It was freezing rain, it was at the mall," he said, recalling the very first clinic held in Lindsay. "We didn't know if anybody would come. When I got there people were lined up from one side of the mall to the other."

Now he says that somewhere between 50 and 70 other MPs are offering the same service.

While routine passport renewals can easily be processed without attending a clinic, Devolin says they are perfect for those dealing with complicated circumstances, such as name changes and lost IDs.

"Locally, that's something that I'm proud of."

For two years, he chaired the standing committee on aboriginal affairs and the northern development committee. One of the other roles he took on was assistant deputy speaker during the last two parliaments.

"I guess the disappointment is that I didn't become speaker," said Devolin, who ran twice for the position.

Earlier this year, Schmale sought the Conservative nomination and was acclaimed as the candidate.

For six months, Devolin is going to travel the world with his wife, Ursula, and kids George, 12, and Molly, 10. He has accepted a job teaching political science at Sejong University in Seoul. The full-time position starts in March.

"Korea was always an option because we lived there before," he said, adding that one of his friends informed him that the universities in Korea were creating English language programming.

"He said you could easily get a job teaching politics at a university."

Although he officially ceased to be an MP when the Governor General dissolved the 41st Parliament on Aug. 2, he will continue to work on some unfinished business.

"My staff and I have ongoing responsibilities until Monday, Oct. 19 to provide services to constituents and wrap up unresolved case work," he wrote in an email.

Devolin thanked all of his constituents for their support over the years.

The 42nd federal election has been set for Oct. 19.

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Editorial opinion

Jammed up

Driving through Haliburton Village this week, you might have felt like you were in the city.

One day in particular, traffic snaked from the heart of the Village all the way down past the high school. It was like the Don Valley at rush hour. When you're in cottage country, you don't expect that kind of volume on the roads. It can be frustrating when a normally 10-minute trip to the dump creeps up to an hour staring at the rear end of a car. Frequent traffic halts for The Crossing of the Geese don't help either.

There's no doubt the added traffic creates some stress among local and seasonal residents, alike. One of the beautiful things about life in the Highlands is the slow pace – by choice, not because the roads are clogged. Being able to stay calm and relax is why many GTA residents choose to spend their summers here. It's a much-needed reprieve from the stress of life in the city.

But there are times when the peace and quiet is shattered, and this week has been one of those.

People who live on lakes see the same kind of disruption on their waterways. A calm, morning coffee at the end of the dock can quickly go awry when a speed boat charges through the waves, the noise ripping any serenity out of the moment.

Alas, that's all a part of summer life in cottage country – the road and water traffic, longer lines in the shops, and rubbing shoulders in the grocery stores. But it's all good.

Good, not in the sense that it takes an hour to drive through town, but that the traffic indicates a healthy community enjoying its summer boom. Good in that businesses are receiving the sustenance

they need to get through another year, surviving to provide goods and services to their customers for many summer seasons to come. Some businesses do three

quarters of their trade in just eight to 12 weeks; summer traffic is a necessity.

As annoying, frustrating and maddening as the summer bustle can be, it should be recognized as a positive indicator of activity in our community, and capitalized upon. Some of our towns are a good place to start.

A stronger Haliburton Village would include more patios and fewer dollar stores. There would be music in the streets – much as they have in Minden when The Dominion has a gig on, or Music by the Gull is happening – and more programming in Head Lake Park would ensure it's never empty.

Everything through the summer should – and could – be designed to not only attract people to our towns, but to keep them there long enough to enjoy themselves and spend a bit of money at local establishments while they're at it.

What it takes is a concerted effort between business owners, municipal staff, politicians, and artists to help Haliburton really come alive through the summer. It's happening, and could happen a bit faster. Clogged roads and insufferable traffic are one way to look at peak season. A better way might be to see ourselves in the middle of something fun and exciting, every day.

One person's jam is another's bread and butter.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Things are looking up

Fifteen years ago I would have been dead against the proposed Bluewater Condominium project. My argument would have based more on personal choice than on any perceived merits of the development.

It would have gone something like this: Why would anyone move into an area with so much free space only to be stacked into an apartment building bordering a lake? Didn't they move out of the city to avoid high rises (and in the Highlands a four-storey building truly IS a high rise) like this? I never understood that person's mentality.

In addition to that curiosity, I also wasn't a fan of how it would change these small town aesthetics. A massive building, in relative terms, projecting out and over the water, would also lessen the small town appeal of a place like this. I think it says something different about you as a village when you have buildings with elevators.

I'd seen this similar sort of growth over the years, mainly on my travels through Orillia, a small city on the shores of Lake Simcoe that went from being a larger Haliburton to a small metropolis where you now have to buy a waterfront view instead of simply having it as a benefit of being a citizen. That seemed so wrong to me.

Well, times change. While I'm still not a fan of the concept of "cozy" apartments beside the lake, I'm also well aware that I'm not their target market. My view was based more on what the area would lose in the process and not about what it would be gaining. The mere fact that an idea like this – or Granite Cove – or any of the other apartment complexes we've seen (and will see in the future) can find buyers in an area like ours proves how times have changed. More so, it proves how the market has to change. What was looked at less than favourably before now needs to be given the time of day – even in my world.

It's forced me to frame the issue in another way, especially when you consider who the builders are trying to appeal to and what the buyers are wanting to purchase. A good

number of buyers are long-time cottagers whose lives have simply outgrown their current place of residence. That hill to the lake becomes a lot harder to climb 20 years later.

Add to that the people who are moving into the area from the city and beyond. Some are leaving small midtown residences to this grand waterfront condo by the lake. Some may even be transitioning from the 14th floor of their urban apartment to the "serenity" of the fourth floor here. It really becomes all about how you choose to frame it. That's why Baskin-Robbins has 32 flavours, I suppose.

Whether it's Haliburton, Minden, or somewhere similar, the mere possibility of an entity like Bluewater shows you the housing marketplace and how a place like Haliburton has become a centerpiece in that marketplace for developers like this one. It shows the growth the area has undergone and the way it has matured. One day it's a donut franchise, the next it's a condominium, the next, maybe it's a restaurant.

For a long-time resident like me (who actually welcomes growth and change) it is truly disrupting to see such a prominent building erected that literally changes the local landscape. But really what's in question isn't so much what's coming in but why it's coming in. This could be one of those northern towns that is just fighting to stay alive, almost begging people to make it seem relevant again (see Kirkland Lake), but it's not. It's an area simply embarking upon more change and while there's always going to be some resistance to it, the greater good of the region has to always reign first and foremost.

If that means moving up instead of spreading out then I guess it's just a telling sign of the times.



By Charlie Teljeur

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Editorial opinion

Power problems

Dear editor,

Sue Tiffin's report about the water flow concerns and Orillia Power's need for a quick decision on the transfer of lands to facilitate the forward movement of this project was a bit of an eyebrow raiser for me.

Just this week we received a letter from Ian Clendening informing us that Whitewater Ontario has applied to purchase the "unflooded portion of the original allowance for road along the shore of the Gull River." There is no mention of Orillia Power in this document although the wording, timing etc. are exactly as reported in Mrs. Tiffin's story.

She does however report that OPGC is "requesting a portion of the shoreline (upstream of the existing Horseshoe Lake Dam which is currently vacant)." It is vacant (on the north side of the road) because there is about five feet of land between Horseshoe Lake Road and the Gull River upstream of the dam. That Orillia Power is asking for this miniscule chunk of real estate causes some alarm.

The position of the road allowance on the south side of the road is considerably larger but, according to the survey we were provided, that is part of the land requested by Whitewater Ontario.

Mr. Clendening commented that "the area of recreational enthusiasts would not be 'significantly impeded.'" That is a sentence fraught with omen. Significance to a corporation means an altogether different thing to us. As a family who lived next door to the weeks of construction noise around the Pan Am Games, I get a bit of a nervous jitter when I think about the near future.

Jon James
Minden

Photo of the week



Splashing around on MacDonald Lake.

Photo by John Cavers

Harper turning to petty election tricks in 2015

Dear editor,

Well, there's an act of political desperation that beats them all!

About a week ago, we learned that Harper's new post-Baird minion for foreign affairs issued, I believe at the end of April, a memo to his underlings instructing them to provide him with no less than three terrorist-related incidents every week, upon which he could issue statements to the media.

I wonder if any of this staff responded: "And Sir, if there are none forthcoming in a given

week, shall I concoct a few phoney ones for you?"

Apparently, the civic service has been too honest to comply!

Harper knows he has screwed up the native file, the human rights file, and the gender-equality file since the United Nations has just recently publically chastised him for all three. And, according to the Bank of Canada, the Parliamentary Budget Office and almost every economist in the land, not only are we either teetering on the brink of, or already in another recession (by the way, the only G7 country

with that dubious distinction); but Harper's much-vaunted, long-unattainable, recently-promised balanced budget has gone up in smoke!

So, since we are now in a deficit for the eighth year running, Harper can't even pretend anymore that he's an economic genius.

There's nothing but boogie monsters left in Harper's electoral bag of tricks. Pathetic.

Joy Mann
Minden

My first tinner

I am glad to report that the maiden voyage went well. There were no dunkings, no capsizing, no grounding or crashing into docks. In fact, I would go so far as to say it was a success.

You'll probably gather from this outcome that we didn't take Jeff the Dog on our first outing in our new motor boat. We thought it best not to after the fiasco that unfolded when we tried to introduce him to a canoe.

It was just me, my lovely wife and Little Z clad in PFDs, putt-putting along in our 'new-to-us' boat, a 12 foot long tinner with a massive 2.5hp motor. And we came away from the event relatively unscathed.

Now, to many of you this statement may seem a little ridiculous. What could possibly happen to anyone in a battered old tin boat with a tiny motor? How is it possible for even the stupidest fool to get into trouble when at the tiller of such an unadventurous craft?

Well, let's take a step back for a moment and examine the situation. Firstly, I'm English. I'm not Haliburtonian and as such not born on the banks of the lake in which my grandparents water skied on maple boards in the 1940s. I'm from a place where the largest

body of water that most of us ever see is the bathtub. And as such, I have not had a lot of boating experience.

Second, in order to get the boat into the lake I had to drive it to the lake. Sounds simple, right?

Not so. I refer to my previous answer: I'm English, not Haliburtonian, and in that respect I did not learn to expertly reverse a trailer at the age of eight, like most folk I know around here. Even driving through the village towing the boat was an ordeal, especially as my lovely wife deemed it the perfect time to run a few errands, and so insisted that we 'stop', 'turn around', 'just back-up over there' on numerous occasions. By the time we'd got to the lake I was a nervous wreck. That said, launching our little boat went without a hitch (only four attempts at reversing down the launch in a straight line).

At last, we were afloat and motoring leisurely up the lake, Pine Lake to be precise.

Now, last Monday (the long weekend holiday Monday) was a fine but windy day and our little boat bobbed and dipped between the waves quite energetically. Little Z found this to be great fun, especially each time

a wave broke over the bow and splashed his mummy. My lovely wife braved the occasional shower though and we were soon in the river heading to Grass Lake. This is a twisty turny affair that taxed my fledgling captain-ship to the limits, especially when a seadoo came screaming past us at about 10mph. But, it wasn't until we reached Grass Lake that the fun really began.

The wind was blowing straight down the lake and as we rounded the last bend in the river there were white caps rolling into the river mouth.

"It looks like the ocean," said Little Z, and as we hit the first wave I realized that it was as near to going to sea as I ever want to be in this little boat. Wave after wave, some of them a whopping 18 inches high, crashed into the boat and my lovely wife was soon not so accommodating about the soaking. As I turned around the boat went broadside to the swell and Little Z let out a whoop as we rocked violently. I let out a few expletives from between gritted teeth and hung onto the tiller for all I was worth.

Back in the river my lovely wife asked whether my Pleasure Craft Operator Exam

had prepared me for this kind of eventuality. I smiled sarcastically and informed her that while I had struggled somewhat to control our little craft in the waves I could have instantly recognized the warning lights displayed by a tug boat while it pushed a barge through a fog bank if needs be, and that I did know the safest way to cross a shipping lane, if such an instance should arise. She wasn't impressed.

After renegotiating the river and a less eventful jaunt around Pine Lake, in which Little Z expressed his displeasure at the less than record-breaking top speed of our little craft, plus a complete lack of understanding as to how the 2.5 hp motor was perfect for trolling for lakers, we headed back to the dock.

Only three reversing manoeuvres to get the trailer into the water, and only a couple of aborted attempts to steer the boat onto it. I was home and golden. My lovely wife's back was a tad wet but my pride was intact and the boat still afloat. Watch out folks we'll be on the water again soon.

The Outsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: What do you think of the election being called?



Brian and Kathy Adams

Oshawa

I think the money being spent on the campaigning is ridiculous. The taxes being spent are just outrageous.



Gail Baker

Toronto

Don't get me started! I think it's ridiculous and unnecessary. We're spending too much money in Canada on these elections.



Jhnelle McLaran

Brampton

I think it is sudden but all I can hope for is that the right decisions are being made.



Keith Bishop

Bradford

Honestly, I haven't heard much about it. I do plan to look into it though.



Mark Leighton

Toronto

It's a ridiculous waste of money. I've wanted "The Harp" gone for a while now. I call him that because if you're not playing him, he's playing you.

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Minden considers parking options on Bobcaygeon

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Minden Hills councillors and business owners are working together to solve an occasional but ongoing parking issue on Bobcaygeon Road.

Councillors voted at a July 30 council meeting to improve the road congestion on Bobcaygeon between Invergordon and Deep Bay Roads by prohibiting parking in front of businesses alongside the road, and to better utilize an existing municipal parking lot in the area.

"It's been a long-term problem, and it may take two or three steps to get to a permanent resolution that's agreeable for all," Reeve Brent Devolin told The Highlander. "We'll get the first part done and see if it's sufficient."

At the meeting, roads superintendent Travis Wilson reported that the narrow road lanes at the location don't allow for sufficient parking space according to safety standards.

"The recommended width of a parking stall is 2.6 m," he wrote. "Due to the narrow 8.5 m platform width of this section of road, there is inadequate space for parking by 0.60 m."

Deborah Lyons, owner of Organic Times on Bobcaygeon Road said the issue of parking hasn't significantly affected her or her store, where customers are in and out of the building.

"I have confidence in what the township is going to do for the merchants on this block," she said. "They've assured me they will create more parking for this strip."

Wilson presented three options intended to alleviate the area of bottleneck traffic and potential safety concerns. Option one was to maintain the road while promoting and upgrading the municipal parking lot at a cost of \$4,800. Option two was to

alter the sidewalk in front of the businesses to widen the road and better meet safety standards for a cost of \$65,000. Option three was to offset the centreline marking to create more parking opportunity, though Wilson noted this option would still not meet safety standards.

Though option two was preferred by some business owners who said the proximity of the parking spot would allow better accessibility for shoppers with mobility difficulties, the high price tag of the work required to shorten the sidewalk was discouraging.

"If it costs \$65,000, that's not the best solution," said Kirsten Monk, co-owner of the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home on Bobcaygeon Road.

Devolin said he didn't consider option two to be wise or prudent, and said better utilizing the parking lot across from the Deep Bay Road intersection was the best compromise for the time being. Improving the lot would make approximately a dozen parking spaces.

"I drove by that parking lot for a decade and didn't realize we could park there. If this option is imperfect, we can revisit it."

Councillor Pam Sayne said she had spoken with business owners in the area and was concerned about affecting the income of the businesses. She broached the issue of delivery trucks not being able to easily access the area and suggested a painted crosswalk be added to the road for additional safety.

Lyons applauded Sayne's efforts and both she and councillors credited the owners at the Gordon A. Monk funeral home with being generous in allowing public use of their private parking lot while funeral services aren't in session.

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Online sales drive Living Libations expansion

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A local company that relies upon online sales for the majority of its business is expanding as a result of their tremendous growth over the past two years.

Nadine Artemis and Ron Obadia, owners of Living Libations, visited Dysart council on July 27 to present their proposal to build a 7,000-square-foot facility off Harburn Road. The family-owned business, which started in 1994, produces natural, organic, botanical beauty and oral care products.

"What started out as a cottage industry has grown a lot," said Artemis, who started the business as a retail store on Queen Street in Toronto.

As the Internet grew in popularity and their desire to leave the city became stronger, the couple relocated to Haliburton in 2007.

"We absolutely love it and will be living here for the rest of our lives," she said.

In August of 2013, tragedy struck when their home – which served as their business headquarters – was consumed by fire. They made it out safely, but their entire inventory was destroyed.

Artemis recalled how, at the time, they were a week away from submitting plans to the municipality to build a bigger structure.

"Luckily, we had been saving for years and years to build this other building."

Help came in the form of local resident

Johnny Burke and his wife, who offered the couple a temporary space on Calico Road.

"We were able to set up right away, and none of our employees ever lost a minute of work due to the fire," she said.

As part of their proposal, they are purchasing a parcel of land along Harburn Road that will give them access to a 100-acre lot that was created in 2012.

The zone for their workshop and retail store would be limited to a five-acre site in the northwest corner of the municipal lot.

Artemis and Obadia say that the structure will fit in with the surrounding environment.

"The building we're going for is very harmonious with the environment," said Obadia, adding "there's a specific aesthetic."

According to a report by planning director Pat Martin, staff have not yet inspected the property. Aerial photographs and maps show that the proposed driveway will enter along a valley that is forested with coniferous trees.

The building will be located on the backside of a ridge of land, about 650 feet off the road.

The pair currently employs 25 people, all whom receive benefits after a few months. Some earn as much as \$40 per hour.

"Our goal is to create beyond a working class here in Haliburton," said Artemis.

Obadia added that couples have stayed in the area because of their employment at Living Libations.

Artemis said they plan on hosting an open house with their neighbours to address any of



Photo submitted by Living Libations

Living Libations is hoping to expand to a location on Harburn Road.

the concerns they might have.

Dysart Reeve Murray commended the couple on the success they have achieved.

"Yourself and people like Patient News are the kinds of industry we need here to create stable employment opportunities for people," he said.

Martin noted that businesses like Living Libations "represent a change in the way businesses are doing things."

"We have to pick this up in our OP [Official

Plan]," she said. "It's not a commercial business where people come, it's an Internet-based business."

In order to proceed, they will require a zoning amendment, site plan agreement, entrance permission from the county's roads department, permission to cross the original road allowance, and septic and building permits.

The next available date for a site plan meeting is in October.

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Aug 16 Gelert Cemetery Decoration Service, 3:00 pm, 1052 Cemetery Road (outside grounds). Kinmount Legion Colour Party and Ministered service.

Aug 27 Committee of the Whole/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Please note there is only one scheduled meeting of council for the months of July and August

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The issue of access to a skilled, knowledgeable and powerful workforce for the businesses that drive our local economy is of critical importance.

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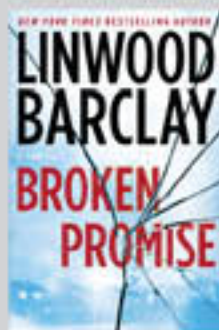
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3. *Perfect Touch* by Elizabeth Lowell

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1. *500 Kids Art Ideas: inspiring projects for fostering creativity and self-expression* by Gavin Andrews
2. *All Who Go Do Not Return: a memoir* by Shulem Deen
3. *The Desire Map: a guide to creating goals with soul* by Danielle Laporte

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *The Dragonfly Effect* by Gordon Korman (JF)
2. *Out of the Woods: a true story of an unforgettable event* by Rebecca Bond (JNF)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Home* (DVD)
2. *Circling the Sun* by Paula McLain (Book on CD)

Library News

Look out for our Portable Library at upcoming community events! We'll be at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair on Aug. 8 and the Haliburton County Fair on Aug. 15. Join us for a make and take craft, sign up for a library card, and tell us your library story!

No muss, no fuss on SIRCH's Hop On Hop Off bus

For me the concept of running a bus service around certain sections of Haliburton County in the warmer months, or for specific occasions, is an idea whose time has come.

The Hop On Hop Off bus which has been running on Tuesdays through the month of July is the brainchild of the people over at SIRCH (SIRCH.on.ca), an organization which provides essential supportive services for residents in Haliburton County. So when I heard that they were looking for a conductor to both inform and entertain the riders, I jumped at the opportunity.

The Hop On Hop Off bus was designed as a promotional experiment, and as a fun, affordable way (a flat fee of \$10 all day) for tourists and locals to see some of the sights and landmarks in our wonderful county, while also providing transportation to those who do not own cars. Putting a financial package together to run the operation was not an easy thing to do, but with assistance from such organizations as the Haliburton BIA, and local sponsors, the mission was accomplished and the first trip commenced on June 30.

By the time you read this the very worthy experiment will have come to an end for this season. Looking back what I liked best about the venture was meeting new people. Some just wanted to tell their own stories, while others were fascinated by bits of information I could give them about various points of interest along the route.

The 14-seat, air-conditioned bus started out each Tuesday at the Thrift Warehouse in Haliburton. Then it went to the School of the Arts, just in time for passengers, if they wanted, to get off and attend the regular Tuesday guided tour of the Sculpture Forest, which is located in the woods just behind the school. I'd tell them a little about the history and the courses available at the school, the wonders to be found in the Sculpture Forest, and the various happenings which regularly take place at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, which is located just across from the school in Glebe

Park. People could get off, spend an hour or so experiencing the school, sculptures and the museum, and then hop back on the bus when it came around the next time.

Our very first passenger was a young man called DJ from the Ivory Coast, who was living in Alberta. His wife, who is an artist, had won a week's worth of free lessons at the school. They had no car and were walking everywhere. DJ was delighted to hop aboard at the Caboose at Head Lake Park and see something of the county while his wife attended classes. It was something he would not have been able to do without the bus.

After several more scheduled stops in the village the bus progressed along Highway 118 to West Guilford, with stops at the community centre and at Abbey Gardens. It then proceeded to Rhubarb in Carnarvon before heading down Highway 35 to Minden where it stopped at the Upscale Thrift Warehouse, The Visitor Information Centre, Sassy Digs and Molly's Bistro Bakery. Paul Prentice, our driver, who had some stories of his own, then retraced the route back the way we had come in order to pick up anyone who had got off on the way, and wanted back on.

Some people who went to Minden from Haliburton did not get back on the bus until the last of the three scheduled round trips, and one woman was overheard to say that she had not been in Minden in over four years, because she didn't have a car and could not afford a cab.

One young man hopped on in Carnarvon and simply wanted an inexpensive way to get to Haliburton and we provided it for him. Two elderly women, one with a disability, got on the bus one Tuesday because they wanted to go to the Farmer's Market in Haliburton. They had a whale of a time and got back on the bus the next time around, laden with farm-fresh goodies. They liked the experience so much they repeated it again two weeks later.

Passengers also purchased beer from our breweries, ate at our restaurants and learned

a great deal about the county that they never knew. One couple had just retired to the Highlands and wanted to know as much as they could about the county. I was able to tell them something of the logging and mining history of the area, our wonderful minerals, fauna and flora, points of scenic beauty and good places to eat along the route. People exchanged stories and one passenger found a long-lost friend; so the bus took on the attributes of a social club on wheels. There was a lot of laughter.

We had a guest conductor in Kate Butler, the director of the Haliburton Highlands Museum, and this past Tuesday, our last trip of the season, the talented singer songwriter Albert Saxby was to come aboard to entertain us. Invitations were also extended to members of the Minden Hills Council, in the hopes of some future support.

The bus was a wonderful experience that brought a diverse section of people together in a unique way and I would play the part of the conductor again in a heartbeat. Yes, most of us have autos to get around in, but think of those residents and visitors who don't and what a liberating experience the bus was for them.

As word got out and yours truly was provided with a megaphone to announce our imminent arrivals, the number of passengers continued to increase. It all ran smoothly; no muss, no fuss on the bus. So I'm convinced that the summertime experiment of the Hop On Hop Off bus set a positive precedent. With the knowledge gained and some more funding, the concept could go a long way to providing a service that can grow and be sustained, possibly to include events like the studio tours.

This mode of transportation not only informs and entertains but also promotes the county, and I think our municipal committees should give serious consideration to a service that picks up customers and also delivers them to businesses in communities along the route.

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Acrylic artist Yves Ameline was a guest artist at Heather Poppe's studio off Highway 118.

Five new artists featured on tour

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Local artists from all walks of life opened up their studios to the public during the August long weekend for the ninth annual Tour de Forest.

"Overall we had a great tour," said chairperson Charlene McConnell. "The visitors I had the opportunity to chat with were enjoying the tour and the new work, intending to take in multiple studios."

The tour featured the work of 24 artists at 11 studios, most of which were located close to Haliburton. Five new artists were welcomed this year.

Acrylic artist Yves Ameline was one of those new participants. He was a guest artist at Heather Poppe's The Wee Quilting Studio.

Ameline heard about the tour through a friend, also a painter and cottager, who asked him if he would join her as a guest if she was successful in her application. He agreed, but she was turned down.

"Having made the decision to apply, I said 'OK, I'll apply anyways' and they let me in," recalled Ameline.

Although things were fairly quiet on Saturday morning, he was looking forward to connecting with visitors and discussing his work.

"At least I'm getting something new that I don't normally get," he said. "I get to talk to people about my paintings."

A seasonal resident since 1974, Ameline has developed his skills as an artist by taking courses at the Haliburton School of the Arts. Many of his pieces on display in Poppe's

garage captured the views from his cottage on Drag Lake.

Now that he's retired, art is his "main occupation."

"Even though I'm left brain dominant, I've always had a very strong right brain that's been fighting for attention. Now I'm giving it that attention."

Next door, Poppe was talking to visitors about her handmade quilts of all shapes and sizes. It's a medium she has been working in for the past 60 years.

"My grandmother taught me at the farmhouse," she explained, "and then my mother taught me how to embroider. Then I just tried to create more and more on my own."

This was Poppe's second year on the tour, but her first time as a host studio. Last year she was a guest artist at Jane Selbie's studio.

"I have a real passion because I've done it for so many years, and I love quilting."

She was also a member of the Highlands East Studio Tour for several years.

According to McConnell, 12 artists applied to be on this year's tour.

"We don't have a stringent criteria in the amount of work they have to have," she said. "Particularly when we're working with young and new artists, we're looking to give them an opportunity and a new experience and to mentor them."

Visitors to each studio were able to enter a draw for either a piece of artwork or a gift certificate.

The planning for next year's 10th anniversary tour is already underway, said McConnell.



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Through my eyes

Sentimental standards



By Austin McGillion

It has come to my attention that people have certain standards for things.

For example, I used to have an old block computer. It ran slower than dirt and the games didn't look that good. Now I have invested a lot of money into my current computer, not just for the speed and quality, but for my job which requires a computer to run at its peak to get things done in an efficient manner.

Before I spent money on my computer, my favorite game ran at about 12 frames per second, and only at mid settings. Now it runs at 60 frames per second all the time and at the highest settings. But if my computer broke and I needed to buy a new one, I wouldn't be content with just anything because it's one of those "once you've had better you don't want to have less" moments.

For instance, say Jack Cox (a bike enthusiast) broke a gear set on his bike and had to get a new one, I would not look at him and say "well here's a cheaper bike, it has stiffer suspension and it has less bells and whistles than your current one" because he would most likely say "no." That's a common understandable standard.

When you have something good, a car with air conditioning, bluetooth, and all-wheel drive, you're not going to settle for a cheaper vehicle with none of the stuff you currently have. The higher end things are much more expensive but if you only have \$500, you're just going get your current high-end product repaired or go without and save until you have enough.

We don't want to settle for less than we've had previously, but new things, especially for bikers, guitar players, and computer users, are super expensive. I want two 27 inch monitors for my broadcasting setup so I can multitask. I want to be able to listen to customer recorded commercials on one monitor and look at the wave lengths on the other, and these monitors can be as high as \$900 dollars each! That's definitely not cheap, but it's worth saving for because it has sharp texture resolutions, good audio quality, low blue light, which is important for your health if you are going to be working on computers every day all day long, and that's what I need.

I don't want to buy monitors for \$300 and then have to replace them in two years; that's like throwing money away. If you're a hardcore biker or guitarist, even a gaming hobbyist, the equipment you need to meet your level of expertise can be cost prohibitive sometimes. I think that sucks, but we do what we have to, because we love our standards and our hobbies.

I wouldn't be spending so much money on my computer if I didn't need it for work. I'd say my expenses on my computer are 90 per cent work and ten per cent gaming hobby. However once we set standards for ourselves, buying anything less just doesn't make sense. So we make due and save until we get what we need.

I want to be the best so I need the best equipment to achieve that. So this will be an expensive two years for me with tuition for college, computer upgrades and residence living expenses, but I have set my standards and will work hard to see them to fruition.



Photo by Mark Arike

Highlands Opera Studio artistic director Richard Margison, right, gives mezzo-soprano Danielle MacMillan a few pointers during a master class on July 30 at St. George's Anglican Church.

Opera singers warm up for live shows

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Powerful voices echo through the halls of St. George's Anglican Church on a Thursday morning.

Inside the building, 24 young opera singers are in the process of mastering their skills under the tutelage of a coach with years of knowledge and experience behind them.

It's the ideal setting for one whose main objective is to make a real go of it in the world of opera.

"It's great," said artistic director Richard Margison. "We've got some fantastic singers and everything is moving along beautifully."

The ninth annual season of the Highlands Opera Studio (HOS) began on July 28. In total, participants will spend six weeks in the intensive training program, which includes performances for audiences in the form of master classes, concerts and two full-staged operas.

As in previous years, Margison, who is also an internationally-acclaimed Canadian tenor, travelled across the country with his wife Valerie Kuinka (general director for the HOS) to find the talent for this year's program. They heard close to 210 voices in auditions held in Vancouver Island, Alberta, Toronto, Montreal and even New York.

"Then of course we have to whittle it down to 24, which is not always easy because there's a lot of great singers," he said.

Each singer accepted into the program receives free training and all of their living costs are paid for. This translates to about \$8,500 per participant, Margison pointed out.

The HOS comes up with the funds through fundraisers, private donations and corporate sponsorships.

Danielle MacMillan, a 26-year-old Mezzo-soprano from Toronto, first applied to the program a few years ago. She will play Cherubino in Mozart's *Le Nozze Di Figaro* (The Marriage of Figaro).

On day three of the program, she expressed her enthusiasm for working with a new conductor and collaborating with different people.

"I'm always thinking about how I can establish a relationship," said MacMillan.

She got her start in opera at the tender age of 12 by mimicking soprano Charlotte Church.

"My parents actually got me her CD collection and I just started copying her voice, and my grandmother convinced my mom to put me into voice lessons."

After high school, MacMillan obtained a bachelor of fine arts degree with a specialty in voice performance at York University. She then went to The Glenn Gould School of The

Royal Conservatory of Music.

She has starred in a couple of productions put on by the Canadian Opera Company.

Although MacMillan is new to the HOS, she has been to the Highlands before.

"I used to cottage here a couple of times," she said. "I love cottage country; it makes me feel at home."

Prince Edward Island native Nathan Keoughan is back for his fifth year in the program. He "lucked out" in 2010 when someone he sang for in Toronto made a call to Margison and Kuinka.

"They were just like, 'I have this young bass that you need here,'" recalled Keoughan.

The Toronto resident is one of three returning participants, however, he has been in the program longer than anyone.

"I know the shtick, I know Haliburton pretty well at this point," he laughed.

The 27-year-old said he has developed "a wonderful rapport" with Margison and Kuinka, which is a big part of the reason he continues to come back.

"They really watch out for me career-wise and they just really care. So I've kind of felt safe with them," he said.

In addition to the training component, singers are provided networking opportunities with agents and other industry insiders.

"That's unheard of, really. There's no other program in North America that brings all these agents in. So we get exposure in the middle of nowhere."

As a bass-baritone, Keoughan will also star in *Le Nozze Di Figaro* as Figaro.

Once this season of the HOS wraps up, he will head to Calgary to perform with Calgary Opera. He plans on sticking with his passion.

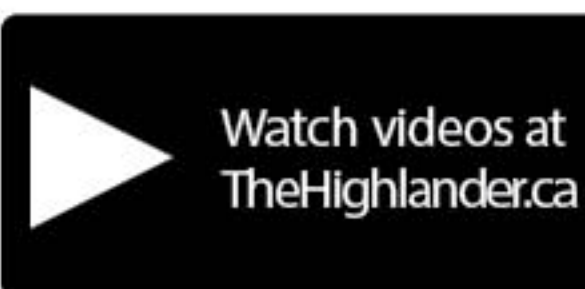
"My intention is to stick with it," he said, adding that the program is "meant to be a launching board for people."

According to the HOS website, Figaro continues the plot of *The Barber of Seville*. The local production will be set in Hollywood in the 1970s and will veer away from the traditional count and countless characters from the 18th century.

"The count will be a Richard Burton-type character, who was a famous philanderer, and Elizabeth Taylor will be the countess," said Margison.

The opera will be sung in Italian with English surtitles.

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Make it Minden



By Sue Tiffin

Up close with emergency services at Make It Minden

Kids were delighted to be sitting in the driver's seat of a firetruck, holding a water hose alongside a firefighter or lounging in the back of an ambulance with an EMS worker. The Make It Minden event on Aug. 4 made it happen with the help of emergency workers who volunteered to engage participating kids. About two dozen kids visited the Minden Fire Hall to see the emergency service vehicles. They chatted with firefighters and EMS drivers, and picked up loot bags to take home. The next Make It Minden event happens on Aug. 12. Pictured above left: Three-year-old Memphis Switzer came prepared in costume to explore the firetrucks at the Make it Minden event. Top right: Minden firefighter Joel Parker helped Lochlin Dykes, 6, from Kitchener have a chance with the firehose. Above right: Jace Dykstra, 5, of Minden learns about the equipment available to help fight forest fires.

Highlander life



Photo by Mark Arike

From left, Tathan McCutcheon, Austin Crego, Georgia Code, Collin Thorpe, Tecwyn McCutcheon, Ava Code, Kayla Switzer and Karen Code.



Photo by Mark Arike

Radio Bingo lead Pat Barry, left (front) presents a cheque to Marilyn Lesperance, chief cook in the Community Kitchen program and chair of the Minden Community Food Centre, while Canoe FM volunteers and staff gather around. From left, Tom Parish, Bob Stiles, Roxanne Casey, Marilyn Frost, Judy Johnson, Nicki Hagarty, OPP Const. Dianna Dauphinee and Ron Murphy.

Radio Bingo raises \$2,800 for Community Kitchen program

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Community Kitchen program is cashing in on the success of Canoe FM's Radio Bingo.

On July 31, volunteers with the radio station gave a cheque for \$2,822 to Marilyn Lesperance, chief cook in the program and chair of the Minden Community Food Centre.

"It will enable us to finish buying the equipment we need in the kitchen," said Lesperance of the donation. "We have a wonderful facility, but we don't have cupboards, we don't have ... a sliding wall between the dining room which holds 60 [people]."

The group is also in the process of installing a wheelchair ramp at the facility.

Located at 24 Newcastle Street in Minden, the Food Centre is also home to the food bank and community gardens.

According to their website, the purpose of the Community Kitchen program is to educate people about healthy eating and give them the opportunity to access healthier options.

Station manager Roxanne Casey said the funds were raised during a six-month period this past winter. Half of the proceeds from the sales of Bingo tickets equaled the donation.

The next organization set to benefit from the program is the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, with funds going to the fish hatchery.

Now in its third year, Radio Bingo is held every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m.

Sour faces equal sweet success for Angelman

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Local children and parents had people sucking on lemons and enjoying lemonade for a cause they're very passionate about.

"The challenge is to bring awareness to AS [Angelman Syndrome]," wrote Bethan McCutcheon in an email.

The McCutcheons hosted a lemonade stand at their home in Moore Falls on Aug. 1. The proceeds from the event will go to the Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST).

The cause is important to Bethan and her husband Sean, parents to Tecwyn, 11, and Tathan, 10, both of whom have AS.

"This is super fun," she said on the morning of the event.

The AS Lemonade Stand Initiative took off and gained international exposure when Na'ama Uzan challenged kids across the world to host their own stand to help find a cure for AS. In April, the five-year-old Toronto girl became a household name after raising \$25,000 by selling lemonade to help her brother who has AS.

The McCutcheons got on board when Tecwyn and Tathan were issued a challenge by three siblings with AS who live in California.

"So you suck on a lemon, have a laugh while someone captures the moment and you post the pic on social media then challenge someone else," explained Bethan.

Classmates of the boys and their parents helped run the stand, which ran from 9 a.m. to noon.

"The support of Tecwyn and Tathan's

peer group is so strong," said Bethan, pointing out that she benefits by meeting other moms. "It's just a win-win."

According to the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society, AS is a neurogenetic disorder characterized by intellectual and developmental delay, sleep disturbance, seizures, jerky movements, frequent laughter or smiling, and usually a happy demeanor.

The McCutcheons weren't the only ones taking part in the challenge on Saturday. Sue and Justin Tiffin, also parents to a child with the rare disorder, set up a stand at the Haliburton County Farmers' Market in Minden.

"At the Farmers' Market we were grateful for our neighbours who helped us set up, and for the general camaraderie of the people there," wrote Sue in an email. "We were there for one day only but did love the experience."

Their stands raised nearly \$725 combined.

Another lemonade stand fundraiser will be held at Yummy Mummy Emporium, located at 168 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden, on Aug. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The local business has pledged to donate 10 per cent of all lemon-coloured items sales (clothing, leg warmers, creams, etc.) to FAST.

According to parent Kim Switzer, members of the Dysart volunteer fire department accepted the suck on a lemon challenge during the McCutcheons' fundraiser. As a result, Switzer is challenging the local OPP, EMS and members of council to do the same this coming Saturday.



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Highlander life

Artist puts Carnarvon on the map, literally

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

After nearly 300 hours of work by local artist Robert Van Nood, Carnarvon is now on the map.

But not just any map – the hamlet that shares land in Algonquin Highlands and Minden Hills is featured on a detailed poster showcasing 27 businesses through an initiative by the Haliburton County Farmer's Market Association (HCFMA) to "put Carnarvon on the map."

Representatives of the market, the government and Van Nood himself were at the Carnarvon farmer's market on July 31 to unveil the artwork.

"We found we had 10,000 people who went through here and they dropped \$131,000 into the pockets of the vendors, but we also knew that not many of them shopped elsewhere in Carnarvon when they were here," said Fay Martin, treasurer of the HCFMA board of directors. "And there was some indication they would be ready to do so if they knew more what was available."

In a 2014 report, the HCFMA said 42 per cent of market patrons also shopped elsewhere in Carnarvon on days they visited the farmer's market.

Martin credited Van Nood for his artwork depicting the area.

"He has a whole history of doing these locational maps, and he knows this country really well," she said. "The details he's got in there really capture us in a way."

The West Guilford-based artist created the artwork for \$3,000 plus tax, rather than the \$10,000 Martin said it was more likely worth. The local businesses featured on the map co-commissioned the artwork with the HCFMA. The county tourism department made reproductions of the map for each of the local businesses to display.

Van Nood said he worked hard to ensure the map was accurate.

"I didn't want it to be distorted and wanted it to be geographically correct," he said. "It was paramount that viewers of the map could instantly recognize their location, the various merchants and points of interest within the Carnarvon area."

Van Nood is an internationally-known artist who uses a variety of traditional methods as well and is well-trained in computer arts. He also created the logos for the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

"There was a sense that it was time that Carnarvon was more than just an



Photo by Sue Tiffin

Visitors to the farmer's market review a new map of Carnarvon's business area.

intersection," said Martin. "That it would be a place where people could go, and what they could do there."

The map will be displayed at the Carnarvon Farmer's Market on Fridays,

and plans to feature the map as a puzzle or notepad with pages that could be easily distributed by vendors to customers are pending.

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BUILDING & Renos

Planning key to successful home renos

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

For some, warmer months of the year are a time to sit back and relax. But others use the relief from snow and cold to roll up their sleeves and make home improvements.

Building patios, boat houses, screened rooms, sheds and gazebos, and simple add-ons are all popular projects come renovation season.

Harry Meliste, a designer at Home Hardware in Minden, said he's seen it all. Meliste works with customers to help ensure spaces work on paper as well as in the imagination, and to help renovators meet up to the standards of municipal building codes.

"I'm sort of like a guide, or a designer," said Meliste. "I help with space planning and functionality."

Meliste works with customers from the beginning of a project, even visiting renovation sites to see the space being worked on when possible. He begins with a preliminary drawing, and helps get the project approved.

"Every district has different codes," said Meliste.

For example, Meliste notes that Minden Hills has a restriction on how high a garage ceiling can be and that bunkies can only have one bathroom.

For this reason, he said renovations



Photo by Sue Tiffin

Harry Meliste encourages proper planning before getting started on your home renovations.

require planning before materials are purchased.

"Sometimes between start and finish, I'll have people change it, change it, change it, change it," he said. "I recommend knowing what you want before you begin."

Meliste said he also recommends renovators bring photos of the space being used for the renovation.

"If I can see pictures of each corner of the room, then I can better help explain what they can do, and what they can't," he said.

In terms of trends, Meliste said it's not just what people are building, but who is building it. More recently in the area he has seen an influx in baby boomers who are preparing to pass house ownership

on to their children and need to change the space for a change of occupancy and change of needs, or who are getting older and want more space.

He also noted more people coming in to alter their cottages into homes, whether it be through winterization or re-layout through interior renovations.

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Construction values on the rise

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

The Highlands are experiencing significant growth in construction in many regions this year. The growth highlights the county's increasing popularity as a prime destination for seasonal and permanent residents and dedication to continued infrastructure development.

Building permits issued and reported in Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills cover everything from new construction and additions to accessory buildings, decks and more.

Permit reports provided by municipalities may include industrial and commercial construction, with larger numbers often reflecting months in which significant municipal and other government projects have hit the books, and may include septic inspections.

Following is an outline of issued permits and construction values for the year-to-date as reported by each municipality, along with a look back to 2014 for a full-year picture of growth in the Highlands.

Highlands East has shown significant growth year to date to June 30 over the same period last year according to the municipality's reports. The number of building permits rose by 170 per cent to 68, while the total construction values, including applications received, reached \$3,209,033, an increase of

more than 180 per cent.

In Algonquin Highlands, a total of 77 permits had been issued by June 30, on par with the 79 issued in the same period last year. Reports of construction values for 2014 are not available by individual month before October. However, values of \$5,733,800 at June 30 this year may be generally compared to last year's total of \$6,847,000 at July 17. Totals at July 31 demonstrate a trend for growth: permits had jumped to 105 and construction values totalled \$8,137,300 year to date.

These larger totals reflect several big projects, according to David Rogers, the township's very busy chief building officer. "One of those is our own municipal garage," said Rogers, referring to the township's new public works garage in Dorset. "We also had two very large houses."

Dysart is showing a different trend, with construction values having declined so far compared with 2014, which included municipal projects now completed. The municipality had issued more building permits by June 30 – 110 compared to 106 last year – but construction values declined by more than 28 per cent to \$11,810,500.

June figures for Dysart showed a particularly sharp differentiation. The municipality issued 30 permits compared to 36 last year, but the decline in construction values was significantly greater, reflecting a drop of close to 60 per cent from \$8,479,500 to \$3,407,500.



Minden Hills year-to-date permit numbers and dollar values were not available at press time. Figures available for June and July 2015 show a slight increase in the number of outstanding building files from 619 last month to 644 this month. The municipality reported 85 new projects and 65 completed projects over the two-month period.

In year-over-year trends, Highlands East issued 171 permits last year versus 148 in 2013. Construction values rose slightly from \$8,404,342 to \$8,663,532.

Algonquin Highlands reported 196 permits in 2014, and construction values totalling \$20,321,000. A full report was not available

for 2013 for comparison.

Dysart had a strong showing last year, with construction values of \$34,751,000 on a total of 243 permits. Those figures compared favourably against 2013 totals of \$23,749,800 on 248 permits, and also topped 2012 values of \$32,566,600 on 280 permits.

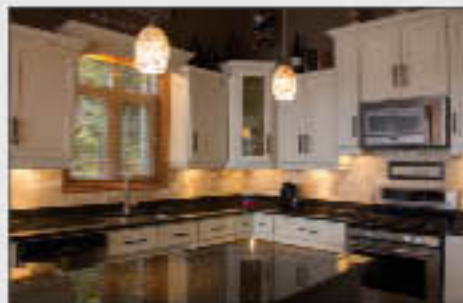
Minden Hills reported that building permit numbers rose from 297 in 2013 to 302 in 2014, excluding industrial and commercial construction. Construction values for residential building dropped by more than 16 per cent to \$11,975,850, but that number was higher than the 2012 total.



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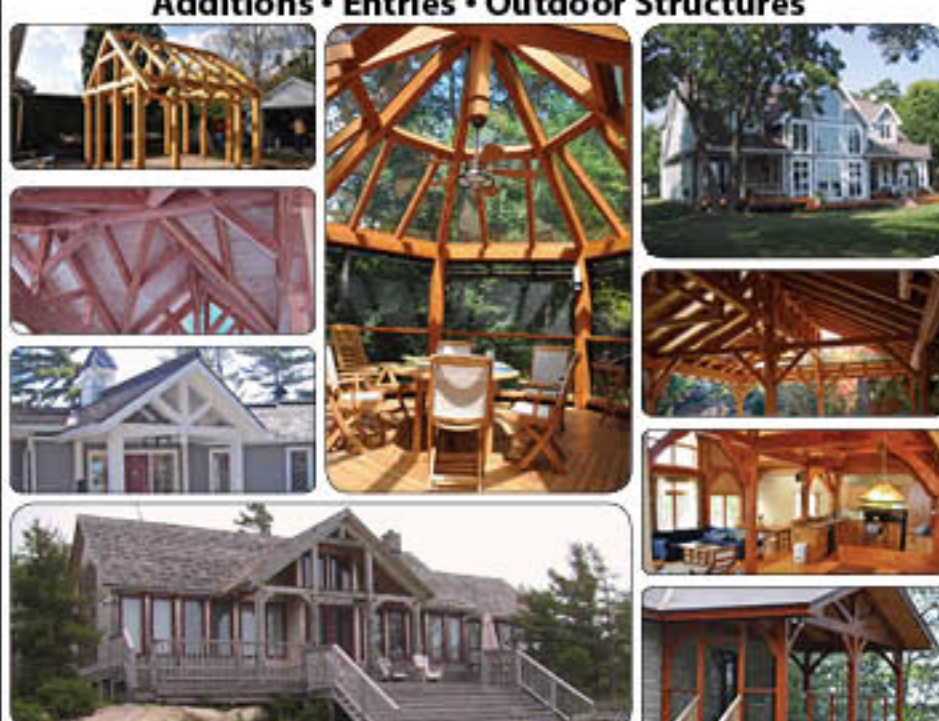
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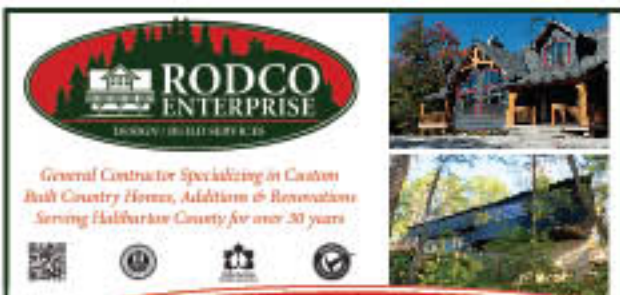
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Permits a must-have: HCHBA

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Before you get started on that next renovation project, take a minute and call your insurance company.

"One thing we impress upon people, is anytime they are looking to do a renovation, a more substantial renovation, they need to speak with their insurance broker," said Aggie Tose, Haliburton County Home Builders Association (HCHBA) executive director. "It's a good start right there, because some things are not covered."

Tose said home owners could be found liable if the contractor they hire for the job is not working under all the proper conditions, or build something without a permit, and an accident happens down the road.

"You could find yourself in some major trouble, insurance-wise, if something should critically happen on a site," she said.

Once that phone call is made, the next step is to find the right contractor. A good indicator of whether or not a contractor is working above board – or following the proper rules and regulations – is if they get a permit or not.

"The permit process is not a difficult process at all," said Tose. "Every contractor knows how to do it very easily. The problem is, it has a fee to it for the municipalities. That way, the municipalities are checking on things and if they don't know it's happening, then you can't be assured that your contractor hasn't cut a corner because it's not going to be inspected."

Many contractors – though not all – who work in the so-called underground economy, do not procure permits for their jobs. That way, they can charge less.

"That's not to say those working underground are not getting

permits, because I wouldn't know. But if you went into the municipality and found out how many permits are on record right now, and drove around the county, there's a few missing, I think."

Tose said if a contractor says you don't need a permit, you should immediately ask them to explain why.

"It's a hard thing to get people to pay more because we're always looking for a deal, but the fact is, you're dealing with your home and it's a huge dollar. A small renovation permit shouldn't be an issue when you're working with someone working above ground."

It's also important for home owners and contractors to agree to a written contract that includes, very clearly, all the work that needs to be done.

The HCHBA will be launching seminars for its members to attend, called Get It In Writing. The seminars encourage contractors to be very thorough in their contracts, thus protecting both themselves and their clients.

"There are all sorts of ways of wording things, but you have to have it all included and spelled out," she said. "Customers [should know] what they're getting and why they're paying what they're paying."

This is particularly important for seasonal residents who may be out of town and expecting jobs to be completed while they're away.

While using HCHBA members for these renovations is usually a safe bet – the organization requires members to follow a professional and ethical code of conduct – Tose said not all non-members are in the underground economy.

"We have a lot of non-members who are very good builders and tradespeople who have decided, for whatever reason, that this is not the association they have the resources to belong to."

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Top: A group of kids lead the way in the 2K run/walk. Left: Hugh Langley waits for the 5K run to start. The 30-year-old finished second in the race. Middle: Alic Webster, 7, came in first place in the 2K run/walk with a time of 8:18. Right: Sydney Bennett, left, and Brandon Czmerek approach the finish line.

Runners embrace changes to Highland Yard

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A total of 317 runners and walkers crossed the finish during the 44th annual Highland Yard in Minden on Aug. 2.

"It was an amazing day and very successful," said race director Jack Russel, adding that the number of entrants was up from last year.

Although the final total raised is yet to be confirmed, Russel believed it would be in excess of \$12,000.

Since 2012, the event has benefitted Places for People (P4P), a not-for-profit corporation that provides affordable housing opportunities to "those at risk of homelessness."

Russel said the funds would reduce the

organization's mortgage costs and enable them to provide "good and secure and affordable housing to those in need."

"With our successful fundraising initiatives, we are now able to proceed with purchasing a fourth building to provide additional housing to those who might otherwise be homeless," said Russel.

To date, P4P has undertaken three housing projects in Haliburton, Carnarvon and Minden.

This year's event included five and 10-kilometre runs, and a two-kilometre walk/run. A special entry price of \$20 for a family was offered in the shortest of the three options.

A new route was introduced to keep the bridge on Bobcaygeon Road open to traffic, especially for emergency vehicles that might

need to access the hospital.

"We have had many positive comments about the new route," he said.

The racers started behind The River Cone and went along Orde Street before connecting to Deep Bay Road. All participants eventually turned around and headed back the same way.

Another new highlight was a raffle for five donated items.

Once again, volunteers were key to pulling off a successful event. Russel said that 56 members of the community and Onondaga Camp worked the water stations and were marshals along the route. Fraser MacDonald piped the runners in as they finished and local group Celtic Jam provided live music along the route.

A \$400 purse was divided among the top

male and female runners in the five and 10-kilometre races.

Top three finishers

10K

1. Calum Neff
2. Cleo Boyd
3. Leo Papail

5K

1. Connor Bolton
2. Hugh Langley
3. Clara Langley

2K

1. Alic Webster
2. Kayleigh Koufis
3. Mitch Solnik

Highlander sports



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Kennisis Lake cottager Mikyla Reesor works on her shooting skills during a recent basketball workout at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Right: Minden resident Eli Samson, 12, participates in a layup drill.

Basketball program makes use of facilities

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Gord Cochrane has two objectives: to introduce young people to the sport of basketball and ensure that the high school's gymnasium is being used year-round.

In March, the local resident and assistant coach for the Red Hawks senior boys' basketball team, began discussing his ideas with Andrea Mueller, recreation program coordinator for Dysart, and Felicity Stratton, facility rental clerk for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB).

"I saw an article in one of the local papers about Andrea Mueller talking about sports

programs and that she had been asked by two young kids about playing basketball," recalled Cochrane. "So then I called her."

Just four months later, he had basketball workouts up and running for young people between the ages of 11 and 18.

"My hope is that all of this will result in more usage. We're at a disadvantage up here in Haliburton, because this is the only facility that's here," he said.

For the past three years, Cochrane led his basketball clinics on the outdoor pavement courts directly beside Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS). However, after a while this surface takes its toll on the body.

"At my age, that black top's pretty hard on the knees," he chuckled.

By the fourth, 24 different kids had taken part in the drop-in program.

"It's for anybody who wants to come. What we're trying to do is twofold: we're trying to help the basketball players develop better skills through practice and also encourage more interest in basketball."

Cochrane works closely with participants to develop a range of skills, including shooting, layups and passing. He usually splits the players into two groups – one being more experienced and the other being beginners.

He has also received help from retired teacher Dan Lapierre and current HHSS teacher Paul Longo.

The custodians have also been very cooperative, he said.

While Cochrane is grateful for the cooperation of the school board and the municipality, he would like to see more opportunities for the public to take advantage of the facilities when they aren't being used by students.

"I would just like them [the school board] to take a look at our Haliburton situation and not lump it with others, rather try to figure out ways for [the] school facility to become more available to the public," he wrote in an email.

The free workouts are being held every Wednesday and Friday evening from 5-7 p.m. until Aug. 21.

To register for the free event contact Cochrane at 705-754-4980.



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4pm	Fair Opens
4pm - 8pm	Exhibit Building Opens (Minden Curling Rink)
5pm	Hospitality Tent Opens
5pm - 6pm	Truck and Tractor Pull Registration
6pm	Local Grandstand Entertainment Begins
6:30pm	Mutt Show
7pm	Pony Pull Begins

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015

9am	Fair Opens
9am - 6pm	Vendor Booths Open
9am - 6pm	Exhibit Building Opens (Minden Curling Rink)
9am - 6pm	Meet the Animals
9am	Miniature & Light Horse Show
10am - 6pm	Black Rock Climbing Wall
10am - 6pm	Obstacle Course/ Inflatable Children's Activities for all ages!
10am - 5pm	Classic Car Show
10am - 6pm	Rope Maker Hands on Demonstrations
10:30am	Free Children's Events
11am	Grandstand
	Entertainment Begins
Noon	Opening Ceremonies
Noon	Hospitality Tent Opens
Noon	Lawnmower Pull
Noon	Horseshoe Tournament
1pm	Sheep Show Begins
12pm - 3pm	Free Children's Events
2:30pm	Children's Stories & Crafts
3pm	50/50 and Ticket draws for Television, Tool Set or Cash!

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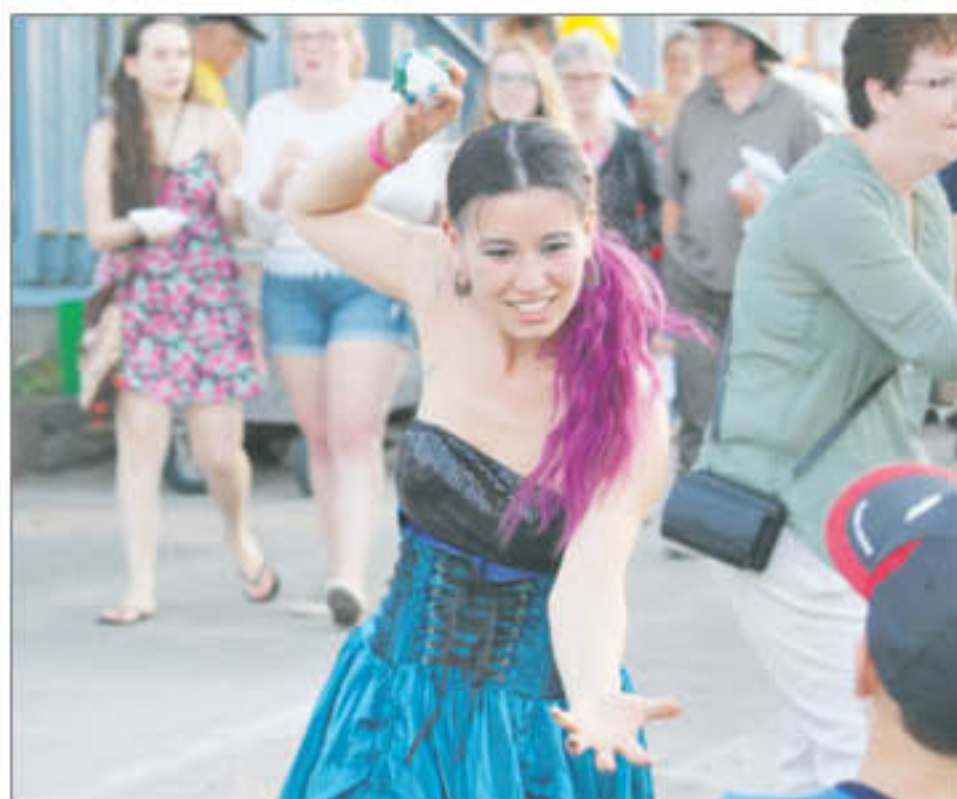
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Top: Gord Kidd performs some tunes with the 50/50 Band on Highland Street. Above: Shayne Reid, assistant to Bella Magic, shows kids how to juggle.

Music, fun and games at Midnight Madness

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Downtown Haliburton was abuzz with activity on July 31 for the 34th annual Midnight Madness event.

The festivities included children's activities, a magic show, dancing demonstrations from the Highland Twirlers and live music from Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band as well as Chad Ingram and Tim Tofflemire. Members of Skye Cycle provided some live spinning

to the sounds of Kidd and his band near Walker's Home Hardware.

Another annual hit was beef on a bun, which was prepared and served by the Dysart volunteer fire department.

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These kids were playing around all day long during the Canning Lake Fun Day on Aug. 1.

Having a fun day on Canning Lake

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

On the morning of the annual Canning Lake Fun Day, 10-year-old Ryan Moss spent two hours boating around the lake announcing the event to anyone who might hear.

"I went around and called out to people to tell them it was fun day today, to get people to come," he said. "People waved, and one person yelled back to ask when it was."

The tactic employed by Moss and fun day organizer Janice Rose worked, and more than 150 people attended the annual Aug.

1 event at Ingoldsby Park. Kids played games like water balloon toss and kickball, while adults barbecued and caught up in the shade. A packed raffle table with prizes donated by area businesses was a huge attraction for visitors at the event.

"It's a wonderful chance for the kids to meet other kids on the lake, which is my primary goal," said Rose, secretary of the Canning Lake Property Owners Association. "And for the adults to meet new neighbours and new friends."

Rose said the annual event had been running for more than 40 years, but long-

time planner Lois Rigney, who Rose succeeded this year, thought the event might be older.

"It's been going on for centuries I think," said Rigney. "And I got so old after standing in the sun that I finally gave it up."

Both women attributed the clockwork operation of the event to volunteers. In the past, it was put together casually and took place down private roads and in gravel pits.

"We roasted the hot dogs and marshmallows in an open pit," said Rigney. "The open pit is now a bush, the fun day grew, the road wasn't a great place, and we

discovered Ingoldsby Park. And it's been Ingoldsby Park ever since."

"We had children that were playing the games when I was running them, they're now married with children. So that's how long we've been doing this."

Rose acknowledged Rigney's devotion to the area and the event with a speech given that day.

"I have big shoes to fill, and Lois, I want you to know, I can't fill your shoes," said Rose. "I will line my shoes up beside yours, and I hope you will continue to lead us, together."

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NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

The Municipality of Highlands East will be holding a Public Information Session regarding Small FIT Solar Gardens on municipal property.

This Public Information Session will be held at the Lloyd Watson Municipal Centre located at 2249 Loop Road in Wilberforce on:

Thursday, August 13th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

This public information session is for all members of the general public to attend.

Municipality of Highlands East, 2249 Loop Road, Wilberforce, ON K0L3C0
www.highlandseast.ca
705-448-2981

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MANAGER, FINANCE

Full-time Permanent Position

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) has an exciting opportunity for a highly motivated, self-starting individual with strong accounting, managerial and organizational skills to join the team as the Finance Manager. This position will be responsible for accounts payable, accounts receivable, general ledger, budgeting, audit, costing and reporting, in addition to managing the staff in the Finance department.

In order to achieve excellence in this role, the candidate must possess a post-secondary diploma or degree in Finance or equivalent, along with a professional Accounting Designation (CPA, CA/CMA/CGA), and have a minimum of 5 years recent managerial experience in accounting, preferably in the healthcare environment. The candidate will also demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of financial analysis/ reporting and accounting principles and practices, financial systems, and spreadsheet, database and word processing applications. Experience with Microsoft GP Dynamics Financials, Quadrant QHR Payroll, and Point Click Care would be an asset.

If interested in this opportunity, please submit a resume in confidence by August 24, 2015 to:

Human Resources
Haliburton Highlands Health Services
Box 115, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
kbaird@hhhs.on.ca
Fax: 705-457-2398
www.hhhs.ca

Haliburton Highlands Health Services thanks all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If you are contacted by HHHS regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.

Highlander classifieds

HELP WANTED

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ANNOUNCEMENT

IS KIBBLE KILLING YOUR CAT? To find the answer go to www.catinfo.org. (AU20)

EVENTS

FIRST AID - Standard with CPR "C" August 27 & 28 Fleming College - Haliburton Campus Call 705-457-1680 to Register (AU20)

THE COUNTRY HOT FLASHES along with their friends Dorothy Hillman, Peg and Gary Waters invite you to an evening of country gospel music at Evensong - Twelve Mile Lake Church - August 8 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Please remember your lawn chair. We look forward to seeing everyone there. (AU7)

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EVENTS

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS Stroke Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest, Minden 10 am. to noon. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 16, 10 a.m. to noon. (TFN)

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month. 1:30-3:30 pm. Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team education room. (TFN)

YARD SALES

Aug 7 & 8, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Large wooden table, oak top, carved maple bottom. Provincial couch and chairs; brown tones. Blue Mountain pottery. Household appliances. 8137 Buckhorn Road, county road 507.

YARD SALE Sat. Aug 8. 9:00 am-2:00 pm. 75 Riverside Dr. Haliburton. 4 wheel wheelbarrow, bird cages, exercise machines, building materials odds and ends and lots more. (AU6)

YARD SALES

AUGUST 8, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. 1025 Julius Drive, Minden. Records, hockey sticks, power tools, fishing & boating equipment, vacuum cleaners and something for everyone.

WANTED

WANTED ANTIQUES

Furniture, glass, china, decoys, military medals, costume jewellery, gold & silver, silver dollars & 50 cent pieces, pocket watches, paintings, etc.
ANYTHING OLD
Call 705-887-1672
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HELP WANTED

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CarePartners is currently seeking energetic and dedicated Personal Support Workers to help clients in our community with activities of daily living.

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TIME: 4:00 (PRIOR TO LEROY NESBITT
MEMORIAL HORSE PULL)
AUCTIONEER: JASON MACINTOSH

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS HAVE BEEN KINDLY DONATED AND
WILL BE UP FOR AUCTION. (Items will be delivered within a 30 km
radius or trucking costs will be added)

TANDEM TRUCKLOAD OF FIREWOOD LOGS
DONATED BY LYLE STAMP LOGGING

TRI AXLE LOAD OF 5/8 LIMESTONE SCREENINGS
DONATED BY STEVE BEAVER TRUCKING &
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BY FRANCIS THOMAS CONTRACTING

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BY RON BOTH AND CLARE RIDSDALE/SIDELINE
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BUSH CORD OF SPLIT FIREWOOD DONATED BY
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TRACY NESBITT

ITEMS MUST BE PAID FOR AT TIME OF AUCTION



FORM 6
Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART, DUDLEY,
HARCOURT, GUILFORD, HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYRE AND CLYDE

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on September 3, 2015, at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Description of Lands:

Roll No. 46 24 012 000 39600 0000; 17 Sunnyside Street aka Maple Avenue, Haliburton; PIN 39177-0007(LT); Lot 4 Block 2 Plan 1 Dysart, United Townships of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde; File No. 14-08

Minimum Tender Amount: \$13,254.16

Roll No. 46 24 030 000 40805 0000; PIN 39157-0107(LT); Part Lot 21 Concession 4 Harcourt as in H71718 S & E of Part 4 Plan 19R1004; Dysart et al; File No. 14-21

Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,644.83

Roll No. 46 24 030 000 61410 0000; PIN 39155-0302(LT); Part Lot 27 Concession 10 Harcourt as in H154966 SW of York River; Dysart et al Except forfeited Mining Rights, if any; File No. 14-22

Minimum Tender Amount: \$7,739.19

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the Municipality of Dysart et al and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender visit www.dysartet.al.ca or if no internet available contact:

Cindy Watson
Tax Collector
The Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al
PO Box 389
135 Maple Avenue
Haliburton ON K0M 1S0
705-457-1740 Ext. 30

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NOTICE



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On the occasion of my
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heartwarming celebration for me.

Thank you also to Craig and his
wonderful staff for their amazing
presentation and delicacies
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NOTICE

MINDEN HILLS

NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING
1966 SALERNO LAKE RD
PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (PLZBA2015023)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 1966 Salerno Lake Rd and being Part 1 of Plan 19R-8870 located in Part of Lot 31, Concession 4 in the Geographic Township of Snowden (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Shoreline Residential (SR). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to the site specific Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-four (SR-55) and Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-four (SR-56) Zones. Recently, provisional consent (File H-004-2015) was granted to sever the subject property. The application for rezoning has been submitted to meet the conditions of the provisional consent and will allow the severed and retained parcels to comply with the Townships Zoning By-law. The effect of the amendment is to allow for a reduced lot area and frontage for the severed parcel, and to recognize the Front Yard and High Water Mark setback of the existing dwellings located on the severed and retained parcels.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – PLZBA2015023

Date: Thursday, August 27, 2015

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Mine Street, Minden, Ontario

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Mine Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Ian Clendering at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request (with a forwarding address) to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills.

DATED this 6th day of August, 2015

Ian Clendering

Planner

7 Mine Street, P.O. Box 359

Minden, ON, K0M 2K0

Tel. (705) 286-1260 ext. 206



This figure is not an extract from the Township of Minden Hills Official Plan or Zoning By-law 06-10, and is not to be considered a legal description of the boundaries of the properties affected by this application. It has been included for reference purposes only.



MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST
CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION CENTRE
EAST IRONDALE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

The Municipality of Highlands East has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the replacement of the East Irondale Bridge located on Irondale Road, approximately 20m north of the Centau Lake Road. The existing single span, steel pony truss bridge is nearing the end of its lifespan and the Municipality has commenced the planning process for its replacement in 2016.

The project is being planned under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Road Projects, which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act.

Public and agency consultation is an important component of the Environmental Assessment process. Public and agency input are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of the project. A PUBLIC CONSULTATION CENTRE is being held as outlined below to provide information as to the alternative solutions and to receive input and comments from interested persons.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Date: Tuesday, August 11th, 2015

Time: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Robert McCausland Memorial Community Centre
1043 Community Centre Road
Gooderham, Ontario

Please note that in order to allow for the replacement of the bridge, a closure of Irondale Road is anticipated for a period of approximately 10 weeks commencing in July, 2016.

The Public Consultation Centre will consist of a drop-in type format with displays showing the proposed replacement options. Staff from the Municipality and the project lead consultant will be on hand to answer any questions.

All informational comments received will be subject to the disclosure requirements of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. We welcome any suggestions you may have about this project.

For further information or if you are unable to attend but wish to provide your views, you may write or contact the following individuals:

Matt MacDonald, P.Eng.
Project Manager
G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc.
1-71 Millennium Parkway
Belleville, ON, K8N 4Z5
Phone 613-869-1111
Fax 613-869-8988
E-mail: matt@jewelleng.ca

Earl Covert, CRSI
Road Superintendent
Municipality of Highlands East
2249 Loop Road
Wilberforce, ON
K0L 3C0
Phone 705-448-2934
Fax 705-448-2532
E-mail: ecovert@highlandseast.ca

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- C. Garbage/Landfill
- D. Scrap Metal
- E. Household Hazardous Waste Event
- F. E-Waste

Information on these and other programs can be found on your municipal website or at your local municipal office.

Answers: 1.C, 2.B, 3.C, 4.D, 5.C, 6.F, 7.C, 8.B

Township of Minden Hills
705-286-1260
www.mindenhills.ca

Township of Algonquin Highlands
705-489-2379
www.algonquinhighlands.ca

Municipality of Highlands East
613-339-2442
www.highlandseast.ca

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Highlander events



Motorists help Lions raise \$5,500

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Haliburton & District Lions Club has raised \$5,500 through this year's toll bridge fundraiser. Approximately 10 volunteers with donation buckets in hand stopped motorists along Maple Avenue on Aug. 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in what is an annual tradition. The funds will support various local groups and community initiatives. Pictured far left: Lions club volunteers Gerald Hadley and David Mills collect a donation from a motorist. Left: David Mills waves to motorists as they drive by.



John William Beatty,
Charles William Jeffreys,
Frederick Stanley Haines,
Lionel Lemoine Fitzgerald,
Dorothy Stevens, Curtis Williamson,
Clark Paraskeva,
George Arthur Kulmala,
William Walker Alexander,
Charles Goldhamer, Peter Sheppard,
George Albert Thomson,
Frank Charles Hennessey,
Charles Fraser Comfort,
Frederick Brigden,
Edgar Dalton, Joachim Gauthier,
Tom Stone, Owen Staples,
Herbert Palmer
Andre Lapine

BENEFIT ART EXHIBIT TO AID ANDRE LAPINE

Will Be Held Under Patronage of Lieutenant-Governor

Under the patronage of the Lieutenant-governor and Mrs. Bruce an exhibition and sale of works of art will be held on and after September 21, the proceeds of which will be devoted to assisting Andre Lapine, the distinguished artist, who has been a resident of Canada for 22 years, and is an A.R.C.A., O.S.A., and member of the Water Color Society. Examples of Andre Lapine's work have on a number of occasions appeared in the rotogravure section of The Star Weekly.



Andre Lapine

On July 3 of this year Mr. Lapine was run down by a motor car and seriously injured. He underwent several operations and his condition is still grave. Other operations will be necessary before he can be considered out of danger. The "benefit" exhibition was started by the late C. B. Cleveland and a committee of friends.

Already some 30 works have been contributed from artists in all parts of Canada. These will be offered at moderate prices to make for a ready sale. The opening and private view of this exhibition will be held at the Toronto Art Gallery September 21, after which the pictures will be divided into two lots and exhibited for sale in the galleries of the T. Eaton Co. Ltd. and the Robert Simpson Co. Ltd., who are giving their galleries without charge. Charles B. Band is chairman of the committee.

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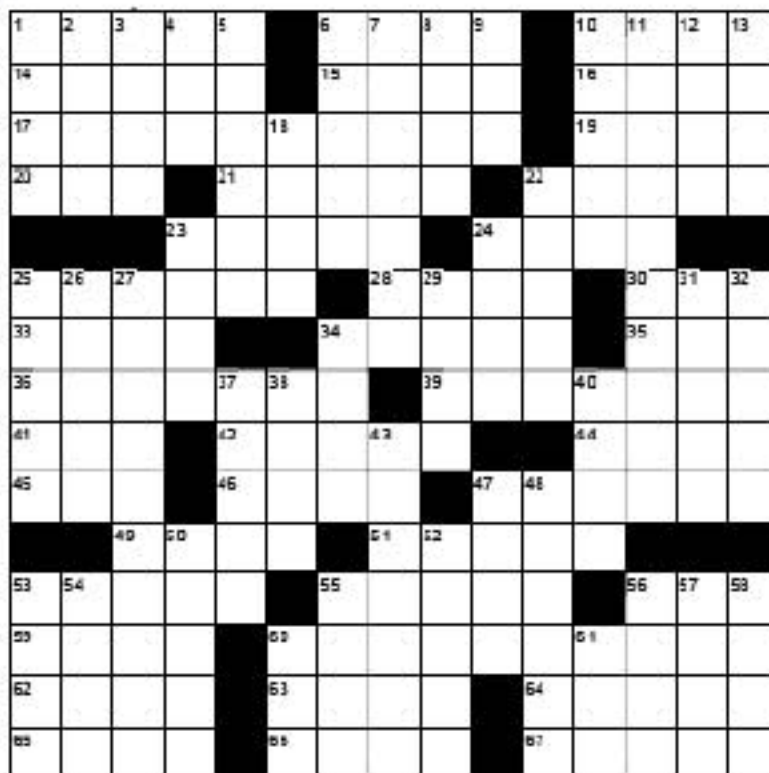
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Highlander events



ACROSS

1. Clothing stand
6. Sad cry
10. Cornmeal porridge
14. Depart
15. Singer ____ Diamond
16. Previously
17. ____ school
19. Bloodhound's clue
20. Apple color
21. Quite little
22. Mediterranean island
23. Rent contract
24. Active person
25. Affirm
28. Shut hard
30. Harden
33. Has debts
34. Hurricane
35. Corp. head
36. Lizard or snake, e.g.
39. Harbor
41. Brewed drink
42. Leased again
44. Famous canal
45. Mar. follower
46. Potter's need
47. Respect
49. Thirst quenchers
51. Sandwich shops
53. Jotted down
55. ____ code
56. A Stogie
59. Similar
60. Communicate by letter
62. Experts
63. Additionally
64. Test for flavor
65. Of sound mind
66. Bambi, e.g.
67. Criminal burning

DOWN

1. Swerve
2. Wheel shaft
3. Told fibs
4. Shade tree
5. Wobble
6. Poker stakes
7. Least fatty
8. Breezy
9. Shrewd
10. Roger ____ (007 actor)
11. Emphasize
12. Aborigine native
13. Present!
18. Cool!
22. Punctuation mark
23. For fear that
24. Be bold
25. Heart artery
26. Use a broom
27. Detachment
29. Misplaced
31. Ghostly
32. ____ pole
34. Peddle
37. Annoyed
38. Hawaiian garlands
40. Cherished animals
43. Approve
47. Other
48. Nap
50. Compact
52. Baseball blunder
53. Snoozes
54. Gumbo veggie
55. Double agent
56. Rock growth
57. Wise about
58. Adam's garden
60. Heal
61. Average

AUGUST 2015 EVENTS

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Movie Night - Abbey Gardens - Frozen - \$10 Dorset Day Camp - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm - Cost Vary Fitness at Five - Head Lake Band Shell - 5-6:00 pm Visit TheHighlander.ca for more events and activities in the Haliburton Highlands	Haliburton County Farmers' Market in Carnarvon - Corner of Hwy 118 & 35 - 12:00 pm-4:00 pm Carbon conversations, inaugural - Abbey Gardens - 10:00 am-5:30 pm - \$35 Dorset Day Camp - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm - Cost Vary Dorset Pickle Ball - Dorset Rec Centre - 10am-12 pm Heritage Happenings - Haliburton Highlands Museum - 10:30 am-12:00 pm	The Country Hot Flashes evening of country gospel music - Evening - Twelve Mile Lake Church - 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Highlands opera studio - Gale in the gardens - Abbey Gardens - 6:00 pm - \$50 Wilberforce Agricultural Fair - Wilberforce Fair Grounds - Adults: \$7, Under 16: Free Highlands East Studio Tour - Wilberforce, Tory Hill, Gooderham, Paudash, Irondale	Hike the gardens - Abbey Gardens - 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Rockin the big tent - Abbey Gardens - 2:30 pm Highlands East Studio Tour - Wilberforce, Tory Hill, Gooderham, Paudash, Irondale
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Movie Night: Tomorrow Land - Abbey Gardens - 7:00 pm - \$10 kids \$5 Dorset Pickleball - Dorset Rec Centre - 6:45 pm-8:45 pm Dorset Day Camp - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm - Cost Vary Haliburton Pick-Up T ball - Head Lake Park - 6:00 pm-7:00 pm - Free	Rotary Music In the Park - Head Lake Park - David Archibald & Wolfgang Brothers - 7:00 pm-9:00 pm - Free Tuesdays West Guilford Community Centre - 7:00pm Euchre. SUP North Paddleboarding - Rotary Beach - 10:00 am-11:00 pm Haliburton Farmer's Market - Head Lake Park - 12:00 am-4:00 pm	Dorset African Hand Drumming - Dorset Rec Centre - 10:00 am Dorset Yoga with Ingrid Bittner - Dorset Rec Centre - 11:30 am-12:00 pm Heritage Walk of Haliburton - Haliburton Caboose - 5:30 pm-6:30 pm 30 Minute Lunchtime tours of the Sculpture Forest - Sculpture Forest - 12:10 pm - Donations accepted	Algonquin Highlands Summer Swim Program - Elvin Johnson Park - 8:30 am-4:00 pm Fitness at Five - Head Lake Band Shell - 5:00 pm-6:00 pm Dorset Day Camp - Dorset Rec Centre - 8:30 am-4:30 pm - Cost Vary Visit TheHighlander.ca for more events and activities in the Haliburton Highlands
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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION AUG. 5 - AUG. 12

Haliburton Branch	Minden Branch	Wilberforce Branch
General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:00-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Open dart night, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month 11th annual golf tournament, Aug. 8 at Haliburton Highlands Golf Club. Nine hole scramble, 1 p.m. shotgun start. \$40 per person including cart. Call 705-457-2571	Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2 p.m. Liver lover's special, Tuesday, 12-2 p.m. (full menu also) Meat Draw, Wednesday, luncheon. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m. Monthly raffle, dinner for two at a local restaurant	Pool, Friday, 2:30 p.m. Ham/Scalloped dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m., early bird 1 p.m. sharp L.A. Breakfast, Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. General meeting, Tuesday 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

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The Last Bandits will open for The Ray Montford Trio on Aug. 9.

Having a party Under The Big Tent

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It might be the biggest tent ever pitched in Haliburton County.

From Aug. 6-10, Abbey Gardens will have a giant tent, complete with comfortable seating, erected on their property. Throughout the weekend, they will host a variety of events, seminars and concerts Under the Big Tent.

Heather Reid of Abbey Gardens said the idea to bring in the tent was first hatched last year as a partnership with the Highlands Opera Studio (HOS) to host a concert there.

"We have a great big huge tent, so [it] became let's fill it for the whole time we have it here, instead of just one [concert]," she said. "That's the pinnacle event, a fundraiser for both Abbey Gardens and [HOS]."

The weekend kicks off with a showing of the movie *Frozen* on Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. On Aug. 7, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the tent will play host to Carbon Conversations, a conference in conjunction with Trent University.

"Carbon Conversations is a series that

Trent has been doing for a number of years in Peterborough," said Reid. "So it's an opportunity for them to bring that up to Haliburton. It's a one-day conference type event with speakers from international scale to the local scale."

Then, on Aug. 8, comes the main attraction: Gala in the Gardens.

"We wanted to have something that represented pretty much all sorts of different musical genres to make it accessible to everybody," said HOS artistic director Richard Margison. "It's great music. To enjoy the power of the human voice like, it's something to marvel at."

Gala in the Gardens includes performances by Margison, a star Canadian tenor, Jazz piano legend Bill King, Jazz and R&B vocalist Selena Evangelina, accordion player Joseph Macerollo, members of the Canadian Opera Company orchestra brass section, and members of the 2015 HOS season. Margison's daughter, Lauren, is also performing.

The concert is emceed by Kurt Browning. Margison said anyone who enjoys music will appreciate the show.

"We've got things from Carousel, South Pacific, Les Miserables, there's Jazz, R&B, instrumental music ... there's something for everybody, and something everyone will enjoy," he said. "It's a feast of musical treats."

The Gala in the Gardens is the beginning of what Margison hopes is a new adventures for HOS, in partnership with Abbey Gardens. Together they have a vision of a green performing arts building constructed at the site, where the Opera studio can perform and the community can come together for other events.

"What we would like to see is a space that can be used year-round for the community, for everything from retreats to conferences, something available to the high school grads, whatever," he said. "This is a dream we've been talking about."

Proceeds from the show will be split between Abbey Gardens and the HOS.

The fun continues Under the Big Tent on Aug. 9 with a performance from the Ray Montford Trio, as presented by the Haliburton Folk Society.

"He's playing a mix of rock, jazz and blues, but very interesting stuff," said Barry

Martin, president of the folk society. "It's all instrumental, but it's really soulful stuff. It's really amazing music."

Ray Montford first hit Haliburton's scene last fall during the folk society's Homemade Stew performance.

"When he came up, everybody's jaw dropped because his performances were amazing," Martin said.

Since then, the society has wanted to present him in concert, and now they have the chance.

The festivities wrap up at Abbey Gardens on Aug. 10, with a movie showing of *Tomorrow Land*.

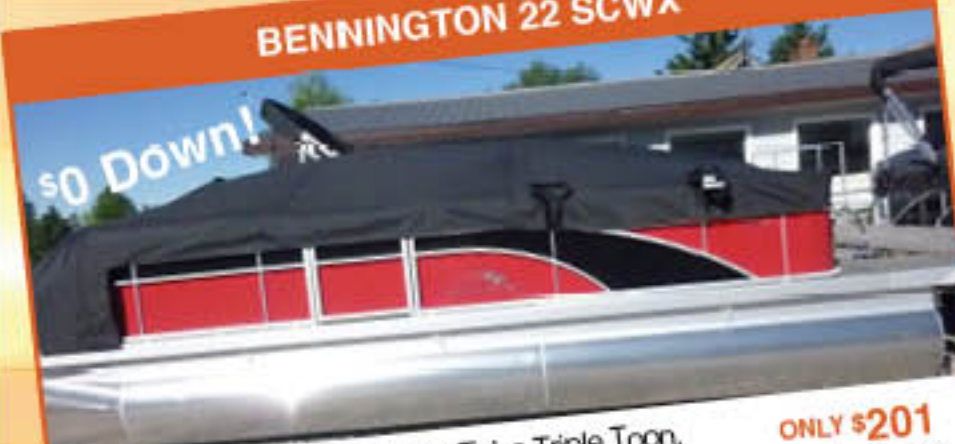
Reid said Under the Big Tent is a chance for Abbey Gardens to test their capacity to host large-scale events like this.

"From my point of view, Abbey Gardens is a community gathering place and this is another way of promoting what we're doing, and the site as a place community can come together and promote different types of events," she said. "I'm really excited."

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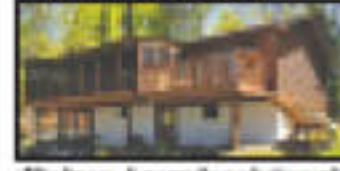


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